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In response to the Office Action mailed on January 21, 2004 in connection with the above-identified patent application (Paper No. 0104), please enter the following amendments, and consider the following arguments. The present Amendment and Response is accompanied by the submission of declaration of Dr. Luc Desnoyers, the consideration of which is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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